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NATIONALISTS CLOSE SHANGHAI SEA ROUTE

Mines laid in last open channel to port

CHUSAN ATTACK FEARED

Taipei, April 13. Nationalist action in mining the last open channel to Shanghai was taken as a move against the expected invasion of Chusan Island from that metropolis, quarters in a position to know disclosed today.

This action, they revealed, would have been taken many weeks ago but for the fact the Nationalists did not want to hamper possible evacuation of foreign nationals from Shanghai.

Moscow, Peking ratify mutual aid treaty

London, April 13. The Presidium of Russia's Supreme Soviet (parliament) has ratified her mutual aid treaty and other agreements with Communist China, the Soviet news agency Tass announced today.

An earlier announcement by the Chinese Communist radio, heard in Tokyo, said the Red China Government also had ratified the same agreements.

The agency said the Presidium ratified the agreements on Tuesday—same day the Chinese Communist regime took its action.

The agreements were signed in Moscow on February 14 after conferences between Prime Minister Stalin and Mr. Mao Tse-tung, chairman of the Chinese Communists.

Formal ratification of the Chinese-Russian mutual aid pact—which by which Communist China “acquired a reliable ally”—was announced by the Peking radio, continues Associated Press in a Tokyo despatch.

Ratification of this and other agreements signed with Russia last January was voted unanimously by the Council of the Central People's Government at a meeting on Tuesday.

Mr. Mao Tse-tung said in a short address preceding the ratification:

“Reliable ally”

“We have acquired a reliable ally by the Sino-Russian treaty to which we will fulfill domestic construction, jointly oppose aggression of our enemies and build the foundation for establishing world peace.”

The text of the official announcement follows:

“At its sixth conference held on April 11, 1950, the Council of the Central People's Government of the Chinese People's Republic ratified the Sino-Russian treaty of mutual aid and amity, agreements on the Changchun railway, Port Arthur and Dairen and Sino-Russian credit agreement.”

The broadcast said these agreements were signed on February 14. But it did not give any further details on the contents of the varied agreements binding the two Communist countries closer together.

Top officials attend

Apparently all the top Chinese Communist officials attended the ratification meeting. The broadcast said 43 committee members and vice chairmen and a total of 170 other Government officials attended the night session.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Chou En-lai, reported on the negotiations.

THE WEATHER

At 0400 GMT (8 p.m. HKST) from an anti-cyclone NE of Japan a ridge of high pressure extends across Japan to South China.

Today's Forecast: Moderate Easterly winds, gusty, with partial afternoon showers. Morning mist.

Yesterday's Weather: Moderate Easterly winds, gusty, with partial afternoon showers. Morning mist.

Maximum 1.6 deg. Fah. Minimum 0.7 deg. Fah. Rainfall: 0.2 hours.

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British Council still operating in Red China

Courtesy and consideration characterised the Communist treatment of the head of the British Council in China who will leave Hong Kong today for England on the RMS *Cortilage*. She is Miss Linda Greer, who reached Hong Kong from Peking and Tientsin last week en route home on retirement.

In an interview yesterday, Miss Greer said the Communists have imposed no restrictions on British Council work in China, although they have ordered the suspension of all United States Information Service activities.

British Council libraries remain open in Shanghai, Nanking and Peking, and lectures, film shows and other cultural activities continue to draw fairly representative crowds.

Miss Greer said she had originally planned to leave China on the General Gordon, but willingly changed her mind when she received permission to proceed to Tientsin to catch a Hong Kong-bound ship from there. Permission was granted before news of the Gordon's flame reached Shanghai.

In her application she asked the Communist authorities if she could visit Peking, which she had not seen since 1949. She said it was not important that she go there, and she would understand if permission were denied. To her surprise, she encountered no difficulty whatever in securing a carte blanche to spend as many days as she wished in the ancient capital.

Peace in Peking

Miss Greer was enthusiastic about Peking under the Communists. She said the city was well administered, clean, and still a lovely place in which to live.

She said there was peace there, and the people appeared to be quite contented. There was law and order—much more law and order than in 1948 when it was still under the Nationalists.

Miss Greer said many Chinese friends came to see her, and she thoroughly enjoyed her 10-day stay. There was no question of any anti-British attitude, because she encountered nothing but courtesy, consideration and kindness.

She did not meet any Communist officials because her position as head of the British Council in China was not an official capacity. However, she stayed with British Consular representatives in Peking, and felt they were leading normal, unrestricted lives.

The foreign community in Peking appeared satisfied and not anxious to leave.

Miss Greer said she left Peking profoundly impressed with its cleanliness, orderliness, and quiet.

The old palaces, the national treasures, the parks and open spaces were well-kept. She was curious before she arrived how the Communists were treating them, but she left convinced they could not be in better hands.

In Tientsin, Miss Greer said, there was a lot of destruction. Many wrecked buildings had not been repaired, and a lot of desolation was evident.

She saw no reason to suppose that the British Council's work in China would eventually be restricted by the new Government. The authorities seemed to realize, she felt, that the Council's functions were non-political.

Miss Greer is returning to England after two years in China. Before she came here she was headmistress of Lady Margaret Hall, Cambridge. She is a well-known lecturer on economics.

HK CHINESE MANUFACTURERS UNION MEETING

Mr. Shum Choy-wah was re-elected Chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese Manufacturers Union, at a meeting of the Union yesterday to elect officials for the ensuing year.

Mr. U Tat-chee and Mr. K. L. Hau, the two outgoing Vice-Chairmen, were also re-elected.

Members of the new Committee were Messrs. Richard Der, Chow Chan-kwong, Wong Tuk-sau, Woo Tsz-ching, Leung Chung-wing, Chin Chiu-hung and Chan Kwai-hung.



MISS LINDA GREER

Correspondence

The Editor takes no responsibility for views expressed in letters by correspondents, and by no means necessarily agrees with them.

EYE-WITNESSES WANTED

Sir.—May I be permitted the use of your correspondence columns for the purpose of an appeal to any of your readers who may be able to assist me?

At approximately 5.00 p.m. on Wednesday, February 15, this year, my father, Mr. T. F. Hwang, was crossing Des Voeux Road at the Pedestrian crossing, running between Moscas Jardine, Matheson & Co.'s offices on the South and the Post Office on the North, his route being from the South side towards the Post Office when he was struck by a tramcar and received injuries from which he died the next morning.

To date the Police have been unable to locate eye-witnesses, although at such a busy crossing there must have been many, and as we, his family, are anxious to learn the true circumstances of the accident, I appeal to any of your readers who may have witnessed the accident to communicate with me, G.O. The Editor, "China Mail." I need hardly say that we shall be eternally grateful for any assistance that may be forthcoming.

Your faithfully,
H. N. Y. HWANG.

Personalia

Departures from the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday included Mr. and Mrs. A. Swanfeldt, Mrs. H. R. McBurin, Mrs. J. M. Conjunction, Mrs. S. G. Pappa, Miss S. Park, Misses S. W. G. Lehman, V. N. Williams, Jele Gund-Kaisen and M. Boonchou.

Among the new arrivals at the Peninsula Hotel on Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. R. Lin, Mrs. W. H. Barrington, Mrs. D. Burnside, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Bratide, Messrs. E. Wedek, P. J. Elzkorn, A. Blund-Child, R. D. Fredine, G. E. Lydon and A. Sherman.

Messrs. Abgar L. Tong, P.C. de Crespi and R. Grafalda arrived in the Colony yesterday by CPA from Manila.

Messrs. J.P. Webster, M.J. Jones, G. Wong, N.R. Moffatt, P.D. Davis and Lin Teek arrived here from Bangkok yesterday by CPA.

Mrs. W. J. Cuter, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. F. Coates, Mr. and Mrs. M. Etherington, Messrs. J. M. Adam, Kim Yu-cho and Kwon Phi-ju left for Ichon and Tientsin yesterday by the ss. Poyang.

Mrs. H. M. James, Mrs. H. G. H. Ankerom and Miss H. F. Hafford left for Yokohama yesterday by the ss. Pakhoi.

The U.S. State Department yesterday announced the transfer of Mr. Paul H. Pearson from Hong Kong to Munich, Germany, as Consul, reports Associated Press from Washington.

WEDDING DRESSES FOR AIRWOMEN

Two wedding dresses have been obtained by the Far East Air Force for the use of airwomen who may marry during their tour of duty in the Command, said an announcement yesterday.

The two dresses are of different design, in white figured satin, complete with veil and coronet wreath of orange blossom. A fee of \$5 to cover the cost of cleaning, is charged for the loan of these wedding outfits.

FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming weddings have been announced of Lance Corporal Ronald Cochran of the Royal Military Police, Victoria Barracks, and Private Jane Morris, Gilberd of the Women's Royal Army Corps, 39 Macdonald Road, and Guy de Rod, bank agent, of 9, Forster Road, and Miss Priscilla Deardon, of 24 Macdonald Road.

It was then found that \$3,218.80 was missing. Complainant tried to find defendant but without success. Complainant then made a report to the police.

Nothing was heard of defendant until April 8 when he returned from Macao. On arrival the public were waiting for him and he was arrested.

In a statement to the police, defendant said that he had misplaced the money and had lost it in Macao gambling. He was now without money and had returned to the Colony to look for work.

Mr. P. R. Dixon, master of the Moller tug, declared that he believed it must have sunk.

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ACCUSED SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR TIGER MANSIONS MURDER

The penalty of death by hanging was meted out to Ip Kwai-yau, 26-year-old unemployed, by Mr. E.H. Williams, Acting Chief Justice, yesterday at the Criminal Sessions for murder, who still protested his innocence, remained stoically calm, however. The jury of five men and two women returned the unanimous verdict after a half-hour deliberation.

The prisoner was found guilty of having taken part in a robbery at the Tiger Balm Mansions, Causway Bay, on October 20 last year, in the course of which a gardener, Law Shu-fan, was fatally stabbed and died two days later.

Mr. John McNeill, instructed by Mr. I. W. Gunter, defended the accused. The prosecution was conducted by Mr. A. Hopson, Crown Counsel, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector C. A. Nicoll.

In the course of the trial, Crown Counsel acquitted the jury with the legal doctrine that when a person is killed during the commission of a crime involving violence, all the persons taking part in the crime in question are guilty of murder by virtue of common intent.

Fatal blow unnecessary

It was unnecessary, in order to bring about the conviction of a member of the band, for him to have actually struck the fatal blow.

In his closing address to the jury, Crown Counsel had pointed out that from certain statements made by the prisoner to the police after his arrest nearly two months after it was clear he did take part in the robbery concerned.

Mr. McNeill for the defence contended that there was no evidence whatsoever to prove that Ip was actually present at the Tiger Balm mansions that morning.

Assuming that the accused had in fact been present some time at the place, he had already done

Chicken thief sent to gaol

Convicted on a charge of robbing 51 stolen chickens from the Government Experimental Poultry Farm in Sheungshui on April 9, Chan Yuk-kwong, 18-year-old unemployed, was sentenced to three months' hard labour by Mr. F. X. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday.

Evidence was adduced that during the night of April 8-9, the high breed chickens were stolen from the Farm and were located the next day at the Kung-Li Poultry Market, Waterloo Road where they were taken for sale.

Instructions were given by the police to the Market to retain defendant when he returned. When the chickens, valued at \$510, were brought in, defendant, who was alleged to be a total of 200 hours cross-country flying solely by reference to instruments (a maximum of 25 hours Link training), maybe accepted towards this total.

The chicken was alleged to have been Cheung Ho NAAFI assistant of a pilot, which a fountain pen and a jacket containing \$49. In King's Park on March 19.

Chu The-ming, aged 50, 522 Canton Road, was fined \$350 by Mr. d'Almada at Kowloon yesterday for operating a massage establishment without a license.

Raised by Inspector G. Davitt on Wednesday evening, the establishment had 13 rooms, four room, nine girls were in its employ.

On the application of Detective-Inspector Wilson, the charge against Yeung Kim-ming, aged 20, for the possession of a forged document was withdrawn and Yeung was discharged by Mr. J. Reynolds at Central yesterday.

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By order of the Board,
R. A. WICKERSON
Managing Director.
Hongkong, March 30, 1950.

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Notice is hereby given that the forty-first Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs Dodwell & Co. Ltd., 3rd floor, Hongkong Bank Building, on Tuesday, the 9th May 1950, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31 December 1949.

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Rotarians hear talk on history of medals

History in the awarding of service medals was made when a Bar to the Naval General Service Medal was awarded in connection with the Yangtze Incident, said Mr. R. A. Edwards in an informative talk on "The History of Medals" at the weekly luncheon of the Kowloon Rotary Club held at the Peninsula Hotel yesterday.

Mr. Edwards, who was introduced by Mr. R. H. Jones, Vice-President of the Club, said that it was the first time for more than 50 years that the bar was awarded to the Royal Navy.

Precedent was also created following the same incident in the awarding of a Naval Distinguished Service Cross to a Royal Air Force officer in addition to the Naval General Service Medal, he said.

Mr. Edwards said that medals awarded for valour were first used by Greeks and Romans but they did not resolve themselves into distinct art until the Italians produced Antonio Pisano, who might be referred to as Father of the Medal Craft.

The British, who were slow in appreciating the need for conferring medals, did not produce any medals until Henry VIII's time, and it was not until Queen Victoria came to the throne that definite rules were laid down for the granting of medals.

Initial medals were, for the first time, given to both officers and men after the Battle of Waterloo.

Wellington objected
"Strangely enough, the only objection to this came from the Duke of Wellington who strongly objected to wearing the same medal as that hung on Tommy Atkins' breast. History books do not record what the Duke of Wellington was told to do with his medal," said the speaker.

Recounting the history of the Victoria Cross, the highest British decoration for valour, the speaker said that the first Army Victoria Cross went to Robert James Lindsay, who afterward became Lord Wantage, and the first Royal Air Force officer to win the award was Second Lieutenant W. B. Rhodes-Moorhouse. The first man to win the "Double VC" was Captain Arthur Martin-Leake, RAMC, during the South African War.

Mr. Ikeda's counter-proposals contrasted with his uncompromising attitude on April 7 when in a two and a half hour interview, with members of the foreign taxation committee, the finance minister held out no hope for a revision of the proposed tax scales.

The American lawyer, Mr. Bruce Atchison, who left Tokyo for Washington by air on April 11 to place the foreigners' protest before the Far Eastern Commission, is now expected to take no further action if the taxation bill is passed by the Diet.

Interestred circles, however, believe that he may take advantage of the opportunity to urge in Washington that a clause protecting foreigners against "unreasonable" taxation should be incorporated in the Japanese peace treaty.—Reuters.

U.S. SHIP-TAKING SINGAPORE RUBBER TO RED CHINA

Singapore, April 13. The 8,000-ton American freighter, California Bear, is sailing from Singapore today with 100 tons of rubber for Communist China.

An official for the ship's agents said that the ship was expected to arrive off Taku Bar, the port for Tientsin, within two weeks and might load a cargo of wood oil and carpets for the United States.—Reuters.

Rangoon, April 13. Nine Union military police, including Lieutenant-Colonel Chin Tin, were killed when their jeep hit a mine on the Launglon-Minbya ferry road near Tavoy, Lower Burma, on Saturday. A Tavoy message received here today reported.

Eight were given a military funeral at Tavoy. The ninth body had not yet been recovered.—Reuters.

SPORTS CLUB

MEMBERS REMINDER

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Friday next, 14th April 5.30 p.m.

J.G.M. GREENHAM Hon. Secretary.

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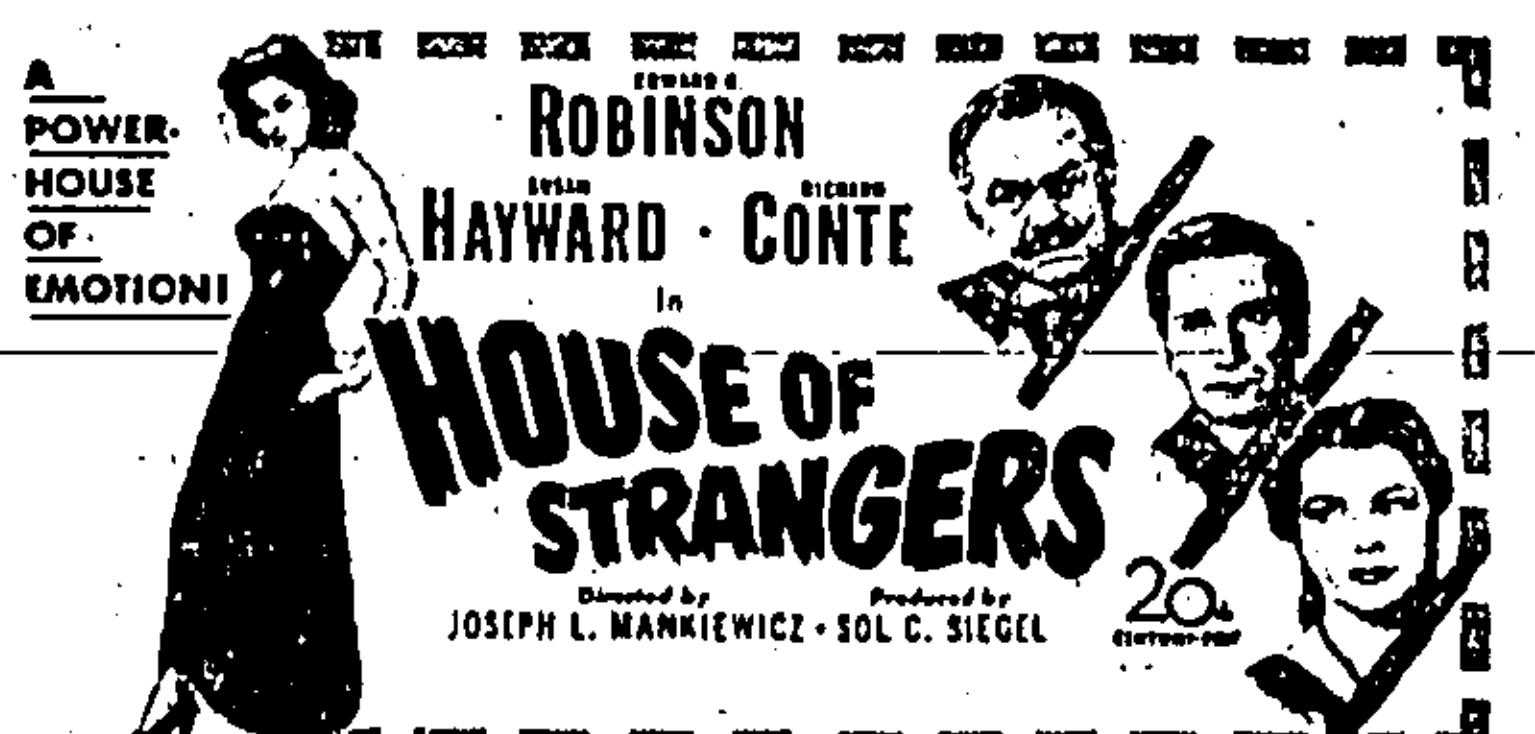
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Drama opening at Roxy, Broadway

Rating * * *

An entertaining drama featuring some excellent acting by Edward G. Robinson is now at the Roxy and Broadway Theatres. The title: "House of Strangers."

The performances of the rest of the stars—Susan Hayward, Richard Conte and Leether Adler—rank high on the list of good reasons for the picture's excellence. They bring vividness and colour to their roles and add much excitement to the film.

A startling verisimilitude resulted from the use of Italian, spoken by the supporting players who were recruited from the Italian theatre in New York, and by filming the street scenes in the heart of Little Italy in New York. Robinson as Gino Monetti, whose heart is as big as his banking methods are unorthodox has another of his hard-hitting roles. Susan Hayward in the role of Irene Bennet, a small, slip young woman who lives by her wits, tops her performance in "Smash-Up" and gives a bright sheen to the picture while Conte, as Gino's favourite son, Max, greatly adds to his star stature with a powerful performance.

Bickering and jealousy between Gino and his sons flares into hatred when the father is indicted for violating the banking laws. Max is the only son who comes to the aid of his father and his efforts only land him in prison. The love affair between Max and Irene is also hectic and furnishes a vivid contrast to the internecine struggle that comes close to being a vendetta.

Director Mankiewicz effectively uses the flash-back technique in telling this stark, melodramatic story. His cast of supporting players is good. Paul Valentine, Efrem Zimbalist, Jr., Debra Paget, Esther Minciotti, Diana Douglas, Tito Vuolo and Hope Emerson are equally effective. "House of Strangers," a Twentieth Century-Fox film, is melodrama from beginning to end. Adult film fare.

Supporting the stars are Dorothy Malone who plays the lively Southern girl newly arrived in the territory to seek a new home with her father, played by Henry Hull, and James Mitchell.

Complete with old Spanish towns, the early days of moonlit nights, great prairie and mountain scenery, as well as plenty of two-fisted fighting, "Colorado Territory," directed by action director Raoul Walsh, is a good show.

NEW GOLDWYN PICTURE FILMED

Samuel Goldwyn has signed John Ridgely to play an important featured role in "The Edge of Doom," which stars Dana Andrews, Farley Granger and Joan Evans.

Ridgely, last seen in "Task Force" for Warner Bros., will play the role of police detective Phillips, who is instrumental in tracking down Granger who has murdered a Catholic priest.

"The Edge of Doom" is picturization of Leo Brady's novel and is directed by Mark Robson.

JOAN CAULFIELD TO MARRY

Hollywood, April 12.—The Los Angeles "Times" said on Wednesday that the actress Joan Caulfield and producer-director Mr. Frank Ross told it regarding their wedding in the near future. Caulfield is a former husband of actress Jean Arthur. Associated Press.

EXCELLENT BRITISH FILM DUE

Rating: * * *

To the rugged inhabitants of the mythical Hebridean island of Todday, off the Scottish coast, the middle of the war brought a calamity worse than Hitler's bombs: there was no more whisky.

Then a U.S.-bound vessel carrying 50,000 cases of Scotch ran aground off Todday's craggy harbour. All that stood between the parched Islanders and a joyously illegal salvage job was the bumbling Englishman (Basil Radford) who, as the island's Home Guard captain, felt constrained to enforce the letter of the law.

Out of this excellent idea, which less skilled hands might have reduced to farce, the British moviemakers have spun a tight little comedy of pure gold, "Whisky Galore," coming to the Lee Theatre.

Filmed entirely in the Hebrides, where the faces are as roughhewn as the landscapes, its comedy is rooted in character—both national and individual—and nurtured gently with ingenuity and unfailing good taste.

What lifts "Whisky Galore" above its own high mark of insular drollery, and turns its chuckles into laughs, is its mastery of the visual gag. The picture moves quickly but surely until the Islanders make a rendezvous with the dorelli Scotch. Then, in picturing their celebration, their efforts to hide the loot from customs raiders and a chase to rescue the biggest cache of whisky, the camera goes on an inspired spree.

Director Mackendrick has some expert allies: the players, besides Radford, include Wylie Watson, Gordon Jackson and Joan Greenwood.



Linda Christian, seen here with her film star husband, Tyrone Power, in Manila, due to arrive in Hong Kong today by Philippine Air Lines. She is travelling by herself.

CLEVER WOMEN MAKE EDUCATIONAL FILMS

A number of brilliant women have made good in Britain in the production of educational films.

Mary Field, of course, is the classic example, and she has now been joined by others whose work has been winning golden opinions at International Film Festivals. "Circulation of the Blood" was top of its class at Knocke in Belgium, and "Growing Girls" and "Digestion" were first and second in the physiology section at Venice in Italy. Winifred Holmes directed the second, and Eryl Denman Lacey the other two. At the Gaumont—British Instructional Studios (where Mary Field has established a great tradition) Mrs. Lacey has as colleagues Margaret Simpson, Felicity Kinross, and Thora James, directing films on geography, history and Biology respectively.

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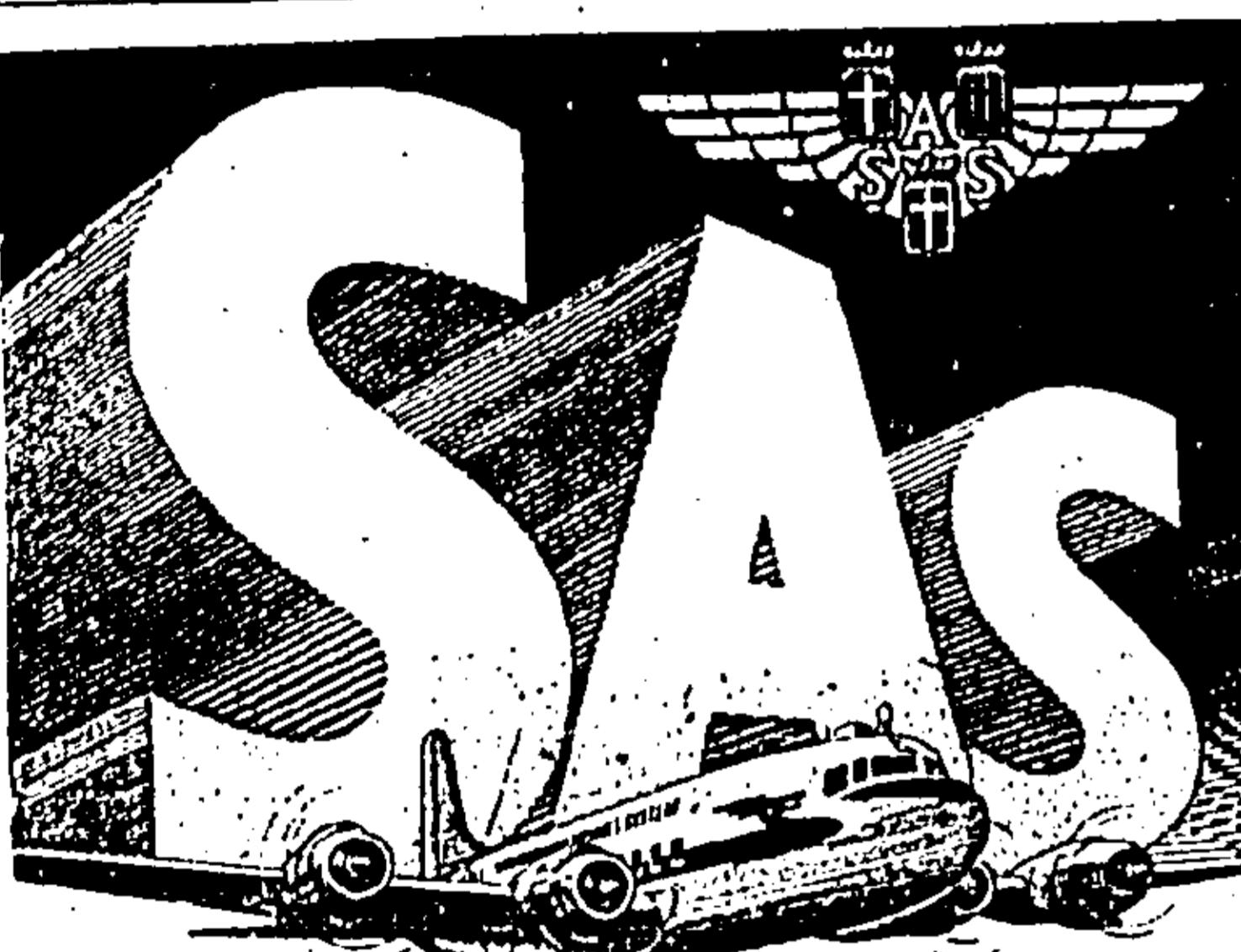
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MARRIAGE

LO-WU.—The marriage between Mr. Horace Lo, son of Mr. & Mrs. M. F. Lo and Miss Merna Wu, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. S. H. Wu, will take place on Saturday, April 15, 1950, at the Registry Supreme Court. A reception will be given after the marriage, at the Hong Kong Hotel, Jockey Club Room at 3 p.m. No invitation cards being issued, but all relatives and friends are cordially invited.

OUT OF THE PAST

The Peking Government has been much less precipitate in carrying out the military order requisitioning the military barracks in the old Legation Quarter than it has been in many other things. Sooner or later, of course, action was inevitable. The Legation Quarter itself is almost a unique institution: a walled city of its own within walled cities. It never quite lost the defects, and some advantages, of its unhappy ancestry in the Boxer Siege. Even its walls still bore till quite recent times the legend "Lest we forget." It had an atmosphere about it, nevertheless, singularly in harmony with the ancient capital itself—dignity, aloofness, and reminiscent of the past.

But when Peking once again became the capital—and the capital of "New China"—that harmony vanished. The city became the centre and hive of busy revolutionaries: the Legation Quarter the silent habitation of ghosts, if diplomats ever suffer such transformation. Something was bound to happen about it; but the People's Government did not make its first move till January 6. On that date the Military Control Commission in Peking issued a proclamation concerning the foreign military barracks in the Quarter. It stated that certain countries had in the past utilised the right of stationing troops "in order to occupy land in Peking and construct barracks." These barracks and other installations—presumably including the very conspicuous wireless station and masts in the United States Embassy—would, accordingly be requisitioned.

Notices to the same general effect were posted on the walls of the former military compounds in the British, American, French, and Netherlands Embassies. The Consuls-General of the three last-named Powers were ordered to evacuate the property concerned. The notices were removed, however, from the walls of the British compound a few hours after they had been posted, but the compounds of three other Powers were requisitioned several days later. Delay in carrying out the order in regard to the British barracks was presumably because the proclamation coincided with the British recognition of the Peking Government. Nothing was said at the time of the barracks, in the old Russian Embassy, but "about the middle of February it became known that as result of the Sino-Soviet Treaty negotiations in Moscow, the Soviet Government had agreed to surrender the military part of their compound."

It was not until April 4 that the Military Control Commission in Peking notified the British representatives in Peking of their intention to requisition the military compound on April 11. The question was taken up by the British Charge

The Dollar crisis--No. 1

BRITAIN AND HER DEFICIT

The modern Emperor no one knows

By WILLIAM MATTINSON

Dominating all the manoeuvre in the new Parliament is the question: When will the chronic economic crisis enter its next acute phase? The general view at the moment is that this may be in the summer but is more likely to be in September. For the last three years the crisis has been intensified each September. The related question is: How acute will the new phase be?

Each of the parties is trying to find the answers to these questions. Their tactics in Parliament will depend on what they decide.

With British politics so much overshadowed by the crisis, it is strange how little understanding there is of its general nature. People talk of the "dollar gap." They suppose, rather vaguely, that Britain's trouble have come about simply because the United Kingdom sells too little to the U.S. and buys too much from the U.S. Actually this is a false picture. The crisis is a much more complex thing. It is a crisis of the deterioration of the balance of payments of the countries of the sterling area as a whole with the countries of the dollar area as a whole.

How have conditions changed since 1937?

Lucid study

The most lucid, and at the same time authoritative, study of the crisis is to be found in last autumn's bulletin of the Research and Planning Division of the Economic Commission for Europe, which is an organ of the United Nations. The Analysis given there deserves much wider publicity than it has so far received.

The basis of this analysis is the comparison of the pattern of trade of the sterling area countries in 1938 with their pattern 10 years later, in 1948. This shows startling changes. They would have been even more striking if the year chosen for comparison had been 1937, for in 1938 certain abnormal conditions had developed which were already causing disadvantage to the sterling area.

The sterling area comprises today the United Kingdom, Ireland, Australia, New Zealand,

d'Affaires. He pointed out to an official of the Chinese Foreign Ministry that the right to use the compound for official purposes was secured by Article III. of the Sino-British Treaty of 1943. This stated that the Government of China would accord to the British Government the continued right to use for official purposes the land which had been allocated to the British Government in the Diplomatic Quarter in the centre of the city which had been allocated to the British Government in the Diplomatic Quarter. He added that before the Chinese notification of April 4 had been received, the British Government had decided to open negotiations with a view to relinquishing these rights by agreement. He questioned the right of the Chinese Government to requisition the property by unilateral administrative action.

Mr. Hutchison was informed, however, that the People's Government considered the compound should be handed over in compliance with the terms of the Military Control Commission's order, but that the question of property rights in respect of the buildings would be settled separately at a later date. That is the position as it now stands, and the barracks were taken over on Tuesday.

Since 1939 there has been no military guard in the British compound, and the buildings, which were built by the British Government, have been used for civil purposes. At one time it was thought that the Peking Government intended to take over the main premises of the various Embassies as well as the barracks, so as to break up the unity of the Diplomatic Quarter and force the various Powers to establish their representatives in various parts of the city. Quite probably some of the Communist leaders felt this way about it. Its silent, unified symbolism must have been irksome to many who recalled with resentment the era of foreign domination.

But while military barracks in Peking are no longer either ornamental or useful, and other facilities are adequate for the limited diplomatic activities now being pursued there, it is to be hoped that the unity of the Diplomatic Quarter will be preserved, for this had, and will yet have, its advantages not only for the Diplomatic Corps itself, but also for the Chinese Government.

The increase of UK imports to North America and the rigid controls which Great Britain exercised over imports from the dollar area. The achievement in keeping the deficit so small was the greater because in the years between 1938 and 1948 the terms of trade between America and Great Britain had entered in America's favour.

Great Britain had to pay proportionately much higher for things which it imported from America than America had to pay for things which it imported from Great Britain. In other words, import prices increased more than export prices.

Less favourable

It is true that the UK position vis à vis the U.S. in 1940 was rather less favourable than these figures would suggest. Its invisible exports had dwindled. In the early years of the war the UK had liquidated much of its investment in the U.S. Thus net receipts on income from investment fell by rather more than \$100 million. There was also a loss on the earnings from shipping. Nevertheless this was also not enough to explain the acute dollar shortage in the sterling area.

A third part of the dollar deficit of the UK account rose, not out of transactions with North America, but out of trade with other countries. For 1948 this deficit was estimated at \$550 million. About half of this transaction was the result of oil purchases of petrol from the Dutch, West Indies and Venezuela. Similarly oil transactions in the Middle East paid for in gold and dollars.

In 1948 the UK dollar deficit was reckoned as follows:

With the U.S. \$400,000,000, with Canada \$50,000,000, with other dollar countries \$50,000,000—total \$1,500,000,000.

But there are other major causes of the dollar crisis besides the deficit of the U.K. These will be examined tomorrow.

To be continued

Slow start to year of great pardon

By Alexander Clifford

The big query

A young man with a windburnt face, a staff in his hand, and a rucksack on his back plods his way dazedly through the glittering hurly-burly of Rome towards St. Peter's.

In the churches, amid the musty shadowed swirling of baroque magnificence, processions of girls headed by large, black crosses and shepherded by nuns sing liturgies in thin piping voices.

Against the walls of the Vatican a group of Austrians, looking like the chorus of "White Horse Inn," poses for its photograph. A dingy tram marked "The Basiliacs" grinds by, full of women with veils and prayer books and rosaries. A motorbus with a foreign numberplate is parked outside the Lateran.

He usually came home exhausted. He never thought of himself as taking a holiday. Nor did innkeepers and merchants expect to make much earthly gain out of pilgrims. Usually they made an earthly loss, for pilgrims paid for the board and lodging with blessings and prayers.

But today foreign travel is a recognised pleasure for everyone. And a comfortably organised, officially paid-for visit to Rome snatches more of a vacation than a pilgrimage.

The Pope very clearly saw this danger. In his Bull proclaiming the Holy Year in Rome. And the absence of anything more to see has begun to arouse respective emotions of uneasiness, glee, and despair in the parties most directly interested.

"Is the Holy Year a flop?" has become the standard subject of Roman small talk.

The parties directly concerned in the Holy Year are the Vatican—passionately eager for its success; the Communists—equally eager for its failure; and the Roman shopkeepers and hotel owners—profoundly interested in its by-products.

The Pope, when he declared this Jubilee Year, called it "The Year of the Great Pardon." He made no secret of the fact that he intended it would be the start of a world-wide spiritual regeneration.

He designed it as the Church's first major positive move in the fight against Communism. The Communists laid their plans of defence: sabotage, in the Holy Year seemed to be going really well; incessant nagging and criticism if it went moderately; a policy of quietly ignoring it if it went badly.

And the shopkeepers, stuffed their shelves with goods. The hotelkeepers redecorated their rooms and their prices. Restaurants threw out new wings. Pickpockets and confidence tricksters moved in for a Roman season. Every conceivable method of extracting profits from pilgrims was prepared for.

But now the Holy Year has started so modestly that you can scarcely see it.

The Vatican has begun explaining through its newspaper that success is not measured by the number of pilgrims who physically come to Rome but by the effect in the hearts of the faithful.

The Communists have done nothing at all except a little routine pin-pricking.

The shopkeepers are holding sales, and the hotel managers are glad to see them.

The truth is that the Holy Year is suffering from a severe case of self-doubt.

Poor pilgrims

So the Holy Year's start has not been spectacular. In January a mere 30,477 pilgrims arrived. The Vatican claims that is three times as many as it expected.

But they made little difference to Rome—especially since pilgrims to the surprise of the merchants turn out to be mainly very poor people hampered by currency restrictions.

If the day has been small, it has been enough to show Rome what to expect. The Church has learned that pilgrims are also tourists, and the merchants have recognised that tourists are also pilgrims.



One can only hope that the minor incident in the United Provinces will barely affect the India-Pakistan negotiations.

"Man charged with being drunk, neapole, freed."

The magistrate was inclined to think the whole incident had undoubtedly better be forgotten.

I see they're still barracking-up in Peking.

"For sale: young girl's bicycle, half used."

Which half?

Local experts again.

"There was a further drop in the American dollar... yesterday, the closing rate... today, \$0.04 at closing on Tuesday."

Fellow in Tokyo says he has become a Communist as an act of atonement.

American admirers of the white name should not be spoken) will be conscious of a feeling of contradiction.

Benefits given under Britain's health service are said to lead to malingering.

There's gold in them thar hills.

Now it turns out that the Nationalists don't want the 71 planes either.

This leaves the field clear for a straight fight between the Communists and the Americans.

"Big Angus McLean, a true son of Wales..."

Welsh wha ha...

Birds and bees.

British schoolmasters have come to the conclusion that, when it comes to teaching it in the schools, it's sex of one and half a decent of the other.

Myrtle was wearing a dress last night that kept onlookers on looking.

Cupid nearly got a friend of mine this week.

He had an arrow escape.

"Do you have fits of giddiness?" the doctor asked the middle-aged, stern-looking woman.

"Certainly not," she snapped. "I'm a respectable married woman."

the Queen Mary and Queen Elizabeth with radio, and laid the television cable from London to Birmingham.

At 68, Behn's hair is thin but still sandy. A sharp nose, bright eyes and a vibrant voice confute the tired stoop.

Large Caballero, Republican commander of Madrid, decided to evacuate the city and warned Behn that Telefonica would be blown up at 4 p.m. to avoid leaving it in enemy hands.

Behn's reply was: "I and 15 other Americans will be holding a board meeting at 4 p.m. It will be too bad if you blow up 16 American citizens."

The Telefonica still stands but Behn no longer owns it. He sold it to Franco—for between 60 and 70 million dollars.

In Rumania Behn sold out to the Rumanian Government four days before the Germans took over the country.

In Hungary his vice-president, Stephen Vogeler,

SECURITY COUNCIL APPOINTS MEDIATOR IN KASHMIR DISPUTE

Sir Owen Dixon named

Lake Success, April 12. The United Nations Security Council today appointed the Australian jurist, Sir Owen Dixon, as Mediator in the Kashmir dispute. Both India and Pakistan today expressed their willingness to accept Sir Owen as the United Nations representative.

Labour law planned for E. Germany

Berlin, April 12. Communist leaders are preparing a rigorous law for the government direction of all workers in East Germany, it was reported Wednesday night.

Communist newspapers confirmed that "planned direction of labour forces" will be written into a new act to support five-year economic plan to come into effect in mid-summer.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Otto Grutowohl, was quoted as predicting that the economic plan would "double the living standard to a height the German people have never known before."

Allied officials said the new labour law might be used to direct young East Germans to join the police army which now totals about 50,000 trained infantrymen.

Plans to expand the police army to 100,000 men by 1951 have been rumoured for some time.

The labour law is expected to be ready for passage by the East German People's Chamber next month.

Another law making housewives liable to industrial conscription is also being written. Communists claim it grants women equal economic rights with men.—Associated Press.

Kashmir mediator suited for job

New York, April 12. Sir Owen Dixon, Australian High Court Judge, today named Kashmir Mediator, is a man who has played many parts in a career of notable public service to the British Commonwealth.

Law had been his career, but outside the Bar and off the Bench, he had been diplomat and wartime administrator of vast enterprises.

Close friends and associates regard him outstanding characteristic of clear, level-headed thinking and his ability to dig down to the roots of stubborn problems as ideal for perhaps the thorniest job he has yet had to tackle.

Born into a legal family, Owen Dixon had striking success as a lawyer in the 1920s when he was at the Australian Bar. He specialised in equity and commercial cases, becoming a King's Counsel at the end of age of 30.

His appointment as a High Court Judge by a Conservative Government in 1929, was welcomed by all political parties. This followed a three years' term as Acting Justice of the Victorian State Supreme Court.

Many of his judgments have stood the test both of time and higher tribunals. His fearlessness in legal interpretations and his decided correspondence to the statutes gained him a reputation as probably the soundest judge in a high court's half century of existence.

Sir Owen Dixon brought to his task, besides a vast knowledge of the law, a keen mind, a sound business instinct and a high intellectual integrity.

Quiet personality

His quiet, pleasant personality is apt to belie the steely determination and patience he has always shown in overcoming objections and obstructions. These qualities were to achieve notable results in wartime tasks.

The first was chairmanship of the Central Wool Committee to which he was appointed at a time when the task was to press the huge Australian wool clips into war service for the Allies. His work for two years resulted in an organisation that clothed the major portion of Allied armies for six years of war.

The wool task overlapped that of controlling wartime Australian coastal shipping and workman's insurance, job made difficult by the depredations of Japanese submarines in Pacific waters.

Then he succeeded Mr. Richard Charles, Australian Ambassador in Washington. For two years he played a vital role co-ordinating the United States and Australian efforts to make his country a great military and "supplementary" naval and a training

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Seretse still trying to see his wife

Botswana, April 12. Seretse Khama, exiled chief-designate of the Bamangwato tribe of Bechuanaland, has made a second written application to the Government to be allowed to see his London-born white wife, Ruth, at Seretse in tribal territory.

It was accompanied with a certificate from his wife's doctor stating that in view of Mrs. Khama's state of health—she is expecting a baby in July—it was "imperative" that Seretse should see her at once.

Seretse Khama was exiled because the British Government feared that his marriage to an English girl, which had split the tribe, might cause trouble. He has been forbidden to return to tribal territory, except to gather evidence for an inheritance law-suit and to see his wife when she is confined. Reuter.

The Council then passed without discussion the vote on Sir Owen's appointment.

Dr. Homero Viteri La Frante of Ecuador, under whose presidency in March the four-power resolution on Kashmir was adopted, thanked the four powers—Britain, the United States, Norway and Cuba—for their efforts in assisting the work of the Council.

Dr. La Frante also thanked the representatives of India and Pakistan for their co-operation in getting the resolution passed.

Fawzi Bey then invited the chairman and members of the United Nations Kashmir Commission to take seats at the Council table.

He then asked whether the Council would approve the appointment of Sir Owen as the United Nations representative in Kashmir.

Towards solution

After the vote on Sir Owen's appointment, Fawzi Bey said that with the appointment "yet another step has been taken by the Security Council towards the solution of the unfortunate dispute between India and Pakistan."

I am confident that those steps will eventually lead to harmony and understanding between the two countries.

It gives me great pleasure to reiterate the Council's thanks to all those who contributed towards making this progress possible, he said.

He also paid tribute to the spirit of co-operation shown by the two parties themselves. He added that the Council would note with gratification the "noble and farsighted course" which inspired the recent meeting between Pandit Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, and Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, the Prime Minister of Pakistan.

"The agreement they reached in Delhi," Fawzi Bey said, "merits the highest commendation from the Security Council."

Mr. Arne Sundo, of Norway, then called today's decision a satisfactory conclusion of a difficult stage in the process of bringing about peace and the settlement of the unfortunate dispute between India and Pakistan.

The agreement just reached was also a tribute to the man on whose shoulders the Security Council had now placed heavy responsibility, he said.

The choice of Sir Owen was a happy one, he added.

Mr. Sundo added that the key to the fulfilment of Sir Owen's task lay in direct discussions between India and Pakistan.

Mr. Warren Austin (United States) said his country wished to encourage everyone in the United Nations to continue to make substantial gains for the settlement of an extremely complicated situation.

"This is a story of a notable achievement by two great countries which were suddenly confronted with a difficult problem at a time when they were emerging from a colonial status into freedom,"—Reuter.

Moscow charges violation of Italian treaty

London, April 12. Russia has handed the Italian Ambassador in Moscow a note alleging violations of the Italian peace treaty, particularly regarding reparations, a Tass message from Moscow disclosed today.

The note, according to the Tass message picked up in London, alleged that the reparations due to Russia under the treaty had not been paid. It recalled the article of the treaty stipulating that reparations had to be paid by transferring Italian property in Bulgaria, and Hungary to the Soviet Union.

The Soviet note accused the Italian Government of deliberately delaying the presentation of a correct statement of the Italian assets in Bulgaria, Rumania and Hungary.

"Up to the present the Italian Government has not yet paid reparations from current production, which has a negative effect on the entire development of the Soviet-Italian economic relations. The Italian Government, explaining the non-fulfilment of its obligations with regard to deliveries to the Soviet Union on reparations account from current production, in its memorandum of January 14, 1950, by the fact that the negotiations for determining the value of the Italian assets in Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania have not yet been completed."

The Tass report said: On April 10, Mr. A. Lavrentev, the Deputy Minister of Foreign Affairs of the USSR presented the following note to Signor M. Brozio, the Italian Ambassador to the USSR:

"In accordance with Article 74 of the peace treaty with Italy, which entered into force on September 15, 1947, and in accordance with the Soviet-Italian agreement of December 11, 1948, on payment of reparations to the Soviet Union, Italy has to pay to the Soviet Union reparations totalling US\$100,000,000.

Reparations "The peace treaty and the above-mentioned Soviet-Italian agreement establish that reparations shall be paid to the Soviet Union through deliveries from current industrial production within the periods and under the conditions stipulated in the aforementioned agreements and through transfer of ownership to the Soviet Union of Italian assets in Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania.

The Soviet Government drew attention to the excessive delay in defining the value of the Italian assets in the three countries. This was "the result of the absolutely unfounded position of the Italian Government, which, in evaluating the Italian assets in Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania, put forward nonsensical demands verging on absurdity."

The note said that the Italian Government sought to include among the assets a number of enterprises, the debts of which exceeded the actual value of these enterprises.

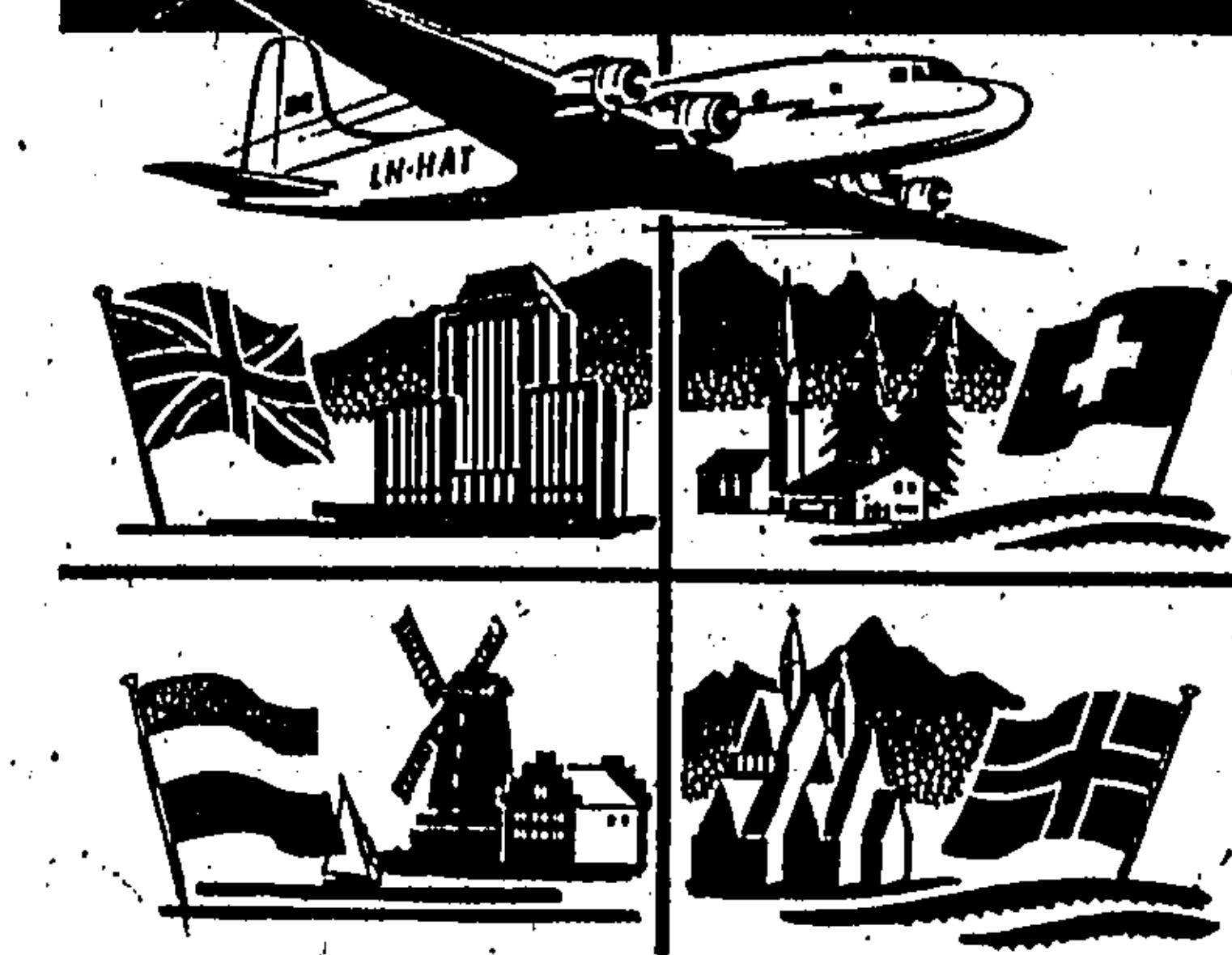
Italian estimate "The total Italian estimate of the assets of this kind amounted to US\$5,880,000, the note added.

The Italian Government was further accused of arbitrarily increasing the evaluation of assets without presenting any such proofs as could, at least to some degree, confirm such an evaluation.

The Italian Government also included in the list of Italian assets the stocks of which do not belong to Italian owners but to owners in third countries.

According to the Italian estimate, such assets amount to US\$32,085,000.—Reuter.

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FUTURE OF W. GERMANY TO BE DISCUSSED AT LONDON CONFERENCE

London, April 12. The problem of the future of Western Germany will be one of the big issues to be tackled when the Foreign Ministers of Britain, France and the United States meet in London next month, it is believed in diplomatic quarters here.

Although clearly the all-important question of whether any further approach can be made to Soviet Russia on atomic control is the main subject before the Big Three Western Foreign Ministers, there is a good deal of evidence to show that the problem of Western Germany is causing serious concern to the United States administration.

The speech made in London by the United States High Commissioner in Germany, Mr. John J. McCloy, at the Pilgrims' Society dinner, underlined the great importance attached by the United States to the integration of the German Federal Republic with Western Europe.

fold aim in American policy toward Germany; security controls to become an associate member of the West European Parliamentary body.

It is impossible to doubt that this pressure for the integration of Western Germany with Western Europe is inspired by the possibility of Soviet action to the East.

On the same occasion, Mr. McCloy said: "Today the West has the opportunity to unite for its own defence. Tomorrow may be too late. Today, Germany is still in a formative stage and, I believe, wants to join in a united Europe. Tomorrow, the situation in Germany and in other European countries may have taken a turn which will make action more difficult."

In fact, the problem of the relationship of Western Germany to the other Western powers, with all that implies for the defensive coherence of the West, is hopelessly complicated by duality of status.

Power alignment

The alignment of the Western powers, in the Brussels Pact and in the Atlantic Pact, is governed by the aim of gaining security against a possible Soviet attack.

The relationship of the Allied Powers to Western Germany is governed by the aim of gaining security against a revival of German aggression.

Yet, because Western Germany lies outside the Soviet sphere of influence and within the economically linked territory of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation (OEEC), the German Federal Republic is necessarily covered by the umbrella of West European and Atlantic military and economic planning.

The great problem for the Western powers is to combine effective security against the Soviet Union with effective security against Western Germany.

An indication of how difficult this is—proving—is given by the hesitation and reluctance on both sides which have accompanied the

invitation of the Council of Europe to the Bonn Government to become an associate member of the West European Parliamentary body.

Numerous rumours

The numerous, and incorrect, rumours from The Hague at the time of the meeting of the Defence Ministers of the Atlantic Pact in April that Germany was to be brought into the Atlantic Pact certainly represented the ruthless logic of a certain school of thought which considers that the question of security against Germany should be sacrificed to gaining additional security against the Soviet Union.

In fact, any question of bringing the Federal Republic into the Western military pacts can be ruled out for the present. But the day-to-day problems of gaining co-operation with Bonn while maintaining security restrictions will have to be re-examined and discussed by the Big Three Western Foreign Ministers.

An example of the sort of difficulty which arises was the recent proposal in the Allied High Commission by Mr. McCloy that German Inspectors should take over some of the functions of the Military Security Board for checking industrial production.

This proposal was firmly rejected by the British and French High Commissioners, who consider that the inspection rights of the Military Security Board are the keystone of post-war security against a surreptitious German rearmament.

Within sight

At the same time, it is no secret that agreement between the Western Occupation Powers on the opening of Western Germany to foreign investment is at last within sight. When agreement is reached, pressure to raise the permitted level of steel production in Germany will be almost irresistible and it is, certainly expected here—that the whole question of the level of German industry will figure at the London Foreign Ministers' talks.

The existing permitted level of steel for the Western Zones of just over 11 million tons a year was reached in February.

On this question as, in the view of observers here, on so many other questions, the Bonn Government has not made it easier for the Allies to lift present restrictions.

Recent pressure by the German Chancellor, Dr. Konrad Adenauer, for higher steel production, for example, was reaffirmed at the end of March in an exchange of letters between the Bonn Government and the High Commission.—Reuter.

S.E. Asia first item on agenda

Paris, April 12. South East Asia and Indo-China would be among the first items on the agenda on which immediate policy decisions would be made at the Big Three (the United States, Britain and France) Foreign Ministers' talks in London next month, a French Foreign Office spokesman said tonight.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, would suggest a political and economic extension of the Atlantic Treaty when he meets the United States and British Foreign Ministers at these talks, the spokesman declared.

This suggestion, he said, would be very carefully prepared.

It would urge Mr. Ernest Bevin and Mr. Dean Acheson to consider how the defences of Western liberties could be reconciled with the maintenance of internal prosperity in the Western countries.

The spokesman added that the present military needs of the Western world threaten the economy and finance of all the countries and that this problem can be tackled only at the international level.

"The military requirements of the Western world in 1950 threaten the economy and finance of all the countries," the spokesman said.

The spokesman refused to reveal what solutions M. Schuman would propose but said that an Economic Committee within the Atlantic Treaty or an extension of the powers of the Organisation for European Economic Cooperation, or the furthering of the links between the OEEC and the Atlantic Treaty were all possibilities.—Reuter.

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The Security Council's duties relating to regulation of armaments had not been satisfactorily discharged. This failure had led to more destructive and more deadly armaments, burdening still further the nerves, health and economy of an already overburdened world, he added.

He further said, "We should consult more and compare more frequently notes and ideas."

"We are expected to work unceasingly and relentlessly for the cause of peace and security."—Reuter.

Shock gun from Germany



A German technician has invented a variation of the water pistol which he claims to be an effective weapon against thugs and cash-men. The pocket-size gun is loaded with a rubber cartridge containing a solution which irritates the eyes and throat. Its sticky qualities and bright colour enable police to identify easily any upon whom it is used. Photo shows a man in a dark suit holding a woman's handbag on the stairs of a dark building.—Associated Press Photo.

U.N. Council President's call for revitalisation

Lake Success, April 12. Mahomoud Fawzi Bey, President of the United Nations Security Council for April, said today that the time had come for the United Nations to revitalise its work and "do something more positive than what we have been doing so far for world peace and security".

Making a general statement on international peace and security in the Security Council before it discussed the Indian-Pakistan Kashmir dispute, Fawzi Bey said:

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VATICAN REPORT ON POLAND

Vatican City, April 12.

The Vatican tonight broke its long silence on the state of Catholicism in Poland with a bitter report claiming that the Communist Government is enslaving and wiping out 21,000,000 Polish Catholics.

The Vatican newspaper "Osservatore Romano" devoted a full page and a half to the subject, with more than 14,000 words of documented evidence and letters of protest on the Church situation in Poland.—United Press.

Malaya's squatter problem

Singapore, April 12. Will Malaya's hot anti-Communist war last two years?

Malayans aired that question on Wednesday following the release of a Government report on the resettlement of Chinese squatters (plantation owners).

Officials have repeatedly said that the Government cannot hope to smash the Communist guerrillas in Malaya's jungles unless they cut off their support and supplies.

The Communists' main support officials have often said, are the Chinese squatters scattered throughout the Federation. The Government has been slowly and steadily bringing them under control and protection.

Some 300,000 have still to be shifted to resettlement areas away from the bandits, the Government report said.

Johore State, leading in the resettlement programme, is aiming at shifting 100,000 families a month. There are 83,000 families yet to be moved.

Two years job

If four other states, heavily populated with squatters, do as well, it would take two years to do the job.

The report did not forecast how long the job would take. So far, fewer than 10,000 have been dealt with.

The report said: "There is ample evidence in recovered Communist documents to show that the squatter resettlement schemes are regarded as a major threat to their survival." It said that the Communists are urging the squatters not to move and admitted that the squatters did not want to move for fear of reprisals from the Communists.

In addition to the resettlement, more than 4,000 squatters are being held in detention camps for aiding the bandits. Seven hundred have been deported to China for the same reason.—Associated Press.

BRITISH BARRACKS SEIZURE

London, April 12.

The British Foreign Office said on Wednesday it is unlikely any difficulties will arise from the seizure by Chinese Communists of the military compound adjoining the British Embassy in Peking.

No military detachment had been stationed in the compound for years. Britain, which has recognised the Peking Government, was ready to negotiate over possession of the property when the Communist Military Control Commission moved in on Tuesday.

The Communists posted notices earlier this month that they were taking over the U.S., French, Dutch and British compounds. The others were seized within a few days. Britain's was taken over on Tuesday.

The United States has protested to the Communists against the loss of its property.—Associated Press.

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JAPANESE SUICIDE RATE UP

Tokyo, April 12. The Japanese, whose addiction to spectacular forms of self-destruction is world famous, are committing suicide at a higher rate today than ever before.

Economic distress, not thwarted love or an imagined offence to the emperor, is the reason given for 74 per cent of more than 100 Tokyo suicides a month, according to the metropolitan police.

National statistics vary, but the "Asahi," one of Japan's leading newspapers, claims that 20 Japanese a day have taken their own lives since the first of the year—a total of 1,600 suicides for the nation up till March 1. This is twice the wartime rate, the "Asahi" says.

Many Japanese blame the Government, and indirectly the Occupation, for the rigid enforcement of a high tax rate, wage freezing, and the "tight money" situation which are said to cause most of the "economic" suicides.

While admitting that there is acute distress in some regions of Japan, SCAP economists who are enforcing the "austerity" programme laid down by the Detroit banker, Mr. Joseph Dodge, claim it has halted inflation, balanced the budget, stabilised the nation's economy, and lowered the cost of living.

Unlike the traditional forms of hara kiri, in which the victim plunges a razor-sharp knife into his abdomen, or together with his sweetheart leaps into a volcano, poison is the commonest form of ending one's life in Japan today.

The newspaper "Yomiuri," in a gruesome analysis entitled "The Suicide Fad," found that of 85 cases in January, 41 persons died by an overdose of sleeping tablets, 18 by cyanide, six by throwing themselves in front of trains, five by rat poison, one by hanging and eight by "unknown means."

Mass cases

Mass cases of murder and suicide are reported in the press almost weekly. A Tokyo cabinet maker, out of a job, and unable to pay £225 assessed income tax, strangled his wife and three children, then dies by poison. A widow, who inherited a failing factory from her husband, sends her four children to the movies and then takes poison with her elderly parents.

Together with these cases of understandable tragedy are suicides inexplicable to the Western mind. A Japanese goes into a Tokyo bar to drown his troubles and in the course of the evening decides to end it all. The bar girl, who never saw him before in her life, joins him in a cyanide cocktail "out of sympathy."—United Press.

CHILE PRESIDENT VISITING U.S.

Santiago, April 12. President Gabriel Gonzalez Videla left today for a 21-day State visit to the United States. He is travelling in the Independence, the personal plane of President Harry Truman, who extended the invitation for the visit.

Accompanying the President is his wife, the Foreign Minister, Horacio Walker, and his wife, Campos Mendez, Deputy of the Chilean Parliament, and his wife and military aides. Mrs. Mendez is a daughter of the President.—Associated Press.

Now Delhi, April 13. Though India has agreed to attend Philippine President Elpidio Quirino's forthcoming meeting of Asian and Pacific nations at Baguio, other delegates are likely to find her a reserved and standoffish guest.

Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru has made it plain that India is determined to steer her own course in world affairs and wants no entanglements "in matters which do not directly affect us" with any bloc—even friendly Asian neighbours.

Mr. Nehru said specifically that his government wants no part of any "Pacific Pact" or "Pacific Union" such as is expected to be discussed at Baguio.

At the same time, however, Mr. Nehru stressed India's wish to be friendly and co-operative with everybody, especially neighbours.

Mr. Nehru himself is not expected to attend the meeting. The Foreign Ministry said only that a representative will go if the meeting is held.

This envoy is likely to be a friendly but non-committal diplomat who will be briefed not to put India's name on any dotted lines.

Ever since an anti-Communist Pacific Pact was first suggested last year, Mr. Nehru has been cool to it, apparently for at least three reasons:

Too upset

1. The Orient, according to Mr. Nehru, is too upset with internal conflicts to form a common front of real defensive strength. He seems to feel that domestic reforms are a surer defence against aggression than pacts.

2. He says India does not fear Communist aggression.

3. He believes India can do more for world peace by remaining a free and neutral agent than by committing herself to any big political camp.

"I do not pretend that India as she is can make a vital difference to world affairs," he said recently. "Nevertheless, everything counts in a crisis, and we want our voice and weight to be felt in certain directions for the avoidance of world conflict."

Joining a bloc would mean sacrificing some of India's freedom of action and might even lead her to war against her will, according to Mr. Nehru. He does not want his nation's voice weakened to "a me too."

In any case, Mr. Nehru has said, India could contribute little material support to any outside cause, however worthy, because she is still preoccupied with urgent problems at home.

Mr. Nehru proposes that Asian countries should co-operate in every way possible, consulting each other as problems arise, but without making long range commitments they might regret. As an example he has often cited the meeting of 19 Asian nations he called here in 1949 to protest against Dutch actions in Indo-China.

Nehru's reply

To critics who consider his neutral policy unrealistic or short sighted, Mr. Nehru has pointed out that the United States rose to power on a similar policy of no entangling alliances.

"That is the natural policy for a country newly freed and newly independent," he said.

While maintaining that Communism poses no immediate threat to India, Mr. Nehru has denied strongly that he is pro-Communist. He has used harsh measures against the small Indian Communist Party and warned that foreign invasion from anywhere would not be tolerated "anywhere on this subcontinent."

India has announced plans to sign a treaty with adjoining Nepal to mutual defence in case either country is invaded. But Mr. Nehru said this did not contradict his "non-entangling" policy because the interests of India and Nepal are identical.

He added he did not think invasion was either easily possible or likely.—United Press.

UNREST EXPECTED IN SAIGON

Saigon, Indo-China, April 12.

Violent political and diplomatic repercussions are expected here when the United States makes its long promised multi-million dollar loan to Indo-China.

Police and military officials are also preparing for physical violence and anti-American demonstrations, particularly if France is made the administrator of the

Diplomatic sources here believe that the American money earmarked for Indo-Chinese military aid will be given to the French while either the Bao Dai government or a Vietnamese administrative board will be held responsible for civilian aid. Both the Vietnamese and French governments have exerted pressure on Washington for control of the American loan.

Strong arguments and even threats have been made to American officials sent here to investigate the best means of strengthening the Bao Dai government.

Washington, April 12. Rear Admiral Charles R. Brown, former Chief of the Naval War College, advocated on Tuesday that the United States should seek a negotiated peace rather than a dictated peace in any future war.

Writing on "American National Strategy" in the current issue of the United States Naval Institute Proceedings, an unofficial Navy publication, Admiral Brown said that war should be recognised as a political instrument of persuasion, "won in a manner that will permit us to realise the kind of world we seek in the peace that follows."

He said: "The proposition that a war is not won until the enemy is completely, utterly, and hopelessly defeated does not obtain the support of history, nor of logic either... The real aim of war is not destruction, but how best to make the enemy change his mind with a minimum of destruction of the economic and cultural assets of the world in general."

Gagged by slogans

Pointing out that the Allies were "gagged by our own slogans" of unconditional surrender against Germany in the last war, he said: "No demand for unconditional surrender should be made."

He warned against the unlimitted use of atomic bombs and unpreparedness for the possible necessity to fight a war to the ultimate end. He said the employment of weapons of mass destruction on other than military effective targets becomes a matter of gravest concern.

"The decision to engage in genocide... would hardly be in consonance with our aims to achieve peace through negotiation... Only as a last resort, when all other measures have been judged a failure, should we commit ourselves to final and unlimited war."

He said it is a "fact that we have no quarrel with the people of any land. We have no quarrel with the Communist form of life. If that is what they wish... If war comes, we must convince the enemy people that they are not fighting what their leaders may tell them is a reactionary capitalist attack intended to take away their lands and enslave them—but that, instead, the war is for the liberation of all outside peoples from the oppression of the enemy's own Government."—United Press.

BORDEAUX RIOT

Bordeaux, April 12.

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The arms have been sent safely to the arsenals, and Premier de Gasperi has sent his personal thanks to the workers and people of patriotic Naples for their support.—Associated Press.

Disastrous U.S. policy in China

Midland, Michigan, April 12. The former Communist, Mr. Louis Budenz, who may have an answer to the Senator Joseph McCarthy-Owen Lattimore dispute, said today that the American policy in China has been disastrous.

Recognition of Red China, he said, would be the worst mistake the United States could make.

For much of the "soft" feeling toward China, he blamed those who have taught that the Chinese Communists are merely agrarian reformers. Senator McCarthy, Republican from Wisconsin, has charged Mr. Lattimore, a Far Eastern expert, with making such statements.

Mr. Budenz, an alert eyed balding professor, asserted that he could name 400 "concealed Communists" in the United States. "Buy I won't do it," he declared in a talk here on Tuesday night. "I cannot afford libel suits."

Mr. Budenz has been subpoenaed to appear before a Senate Subcommittee investigating Senator McCarthy's charge that Mr. Lattimore is a Soviet spy.

Mr. Budenz would offer no comment on the dispute. But he did say that he had never met, talked with or given documents to Senator McCarthy.

ANOTHER RUSSIAN WALK-OUT

Lake Success, April 12.

The Russian expert on the United Nations Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary matters today walked out in protest against the presence of the Chinese Nationalist member.

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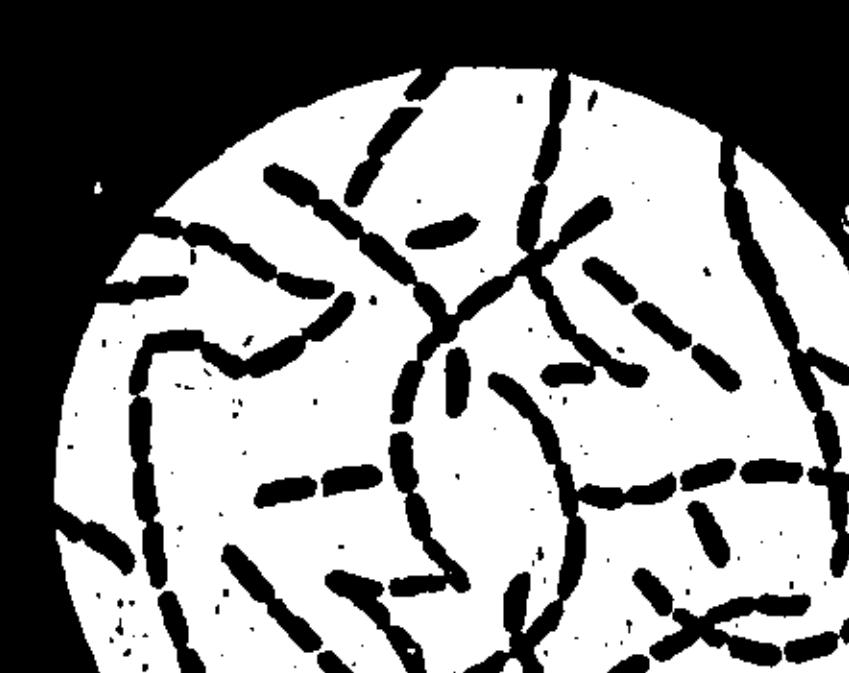
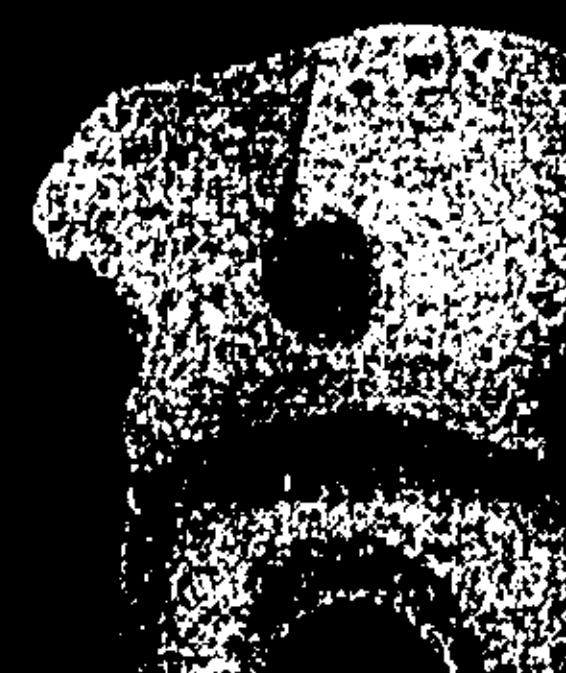
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LIE MAY GO TO MOSCOW TO SOLVE U.N. DEADLOCK

Lausanne, April 12.
The UN Secretary General, Mr. Trygve Lie, acknowledged today that he might go to Moscow late this month in a move toward ending the Chinese representation crisis in the UN. Mr. Lie told a reporter he had not decided finally whether he would visit Moscow while on a trip to Europe. But, he added, the possibility that he might go to the Soviet capital is not excluded.

Forty dead in Indian train crash

Lucknow, United Provinces, April 12.—

Forty bodies had been recovered tonight and at least 75 people were known to have been injured in an express train crash near Bitrol Station, United Provinces, early today.

Preliminary investigation had revealed that some fish-plates and dog-spikes on the track had been removed, it was reported.

The train had crashed near Bitrol Station on the Dhub-Tirhoot railway about 120 miles North West of Lucknow.

The engine and five bogies were reported to have fallen into a dry bed stream as the train passed over a small bridge. Villagers were helping in the rescue operations.

The firemen and another member of the crew were killed and the driver seriously burned.

A high railway official here this morning described the accident as an act of sabotage.

Mr. Lie plans to leave on April 22 for a meeting of the heads of UN specialised agencies in Paris. He will be in London before and during the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the United States, France and Britain, beginning on May 8.

Mr. Lie has urged the Security Council to hold a special meeting on the Foreign Minister level, possibly in Europe, and many UN delegates are looking to the big three sessions in London to answer some of the UN problems.

Impasse

The Soviet walkout over recognition of Communist China has brought about an "impasse" which temporarily "paralyzes" the activities of the United Nations. General Carlos P. Romulo said today in San Francisco.

The President of the UN General Assembly declared that the recognition question is therefore one of the world organisation's most compelling problems.

General Romulo left San Francisco at 7.30 p.m. (GMT) by Philippine Airlines for a conference with President Elpidio Quirino at Baguio. He had no comment on the nature of the conference but it was understood from other sources that it concerned the proposed South East Asia Union.

General Romulo was due to arrive in Manila at 2 p.m. (Manila time).

He carried with him 5,000 capsules of Terramycin, a new antibiotic drug. It was presented to his Government's Department of Health for experiments in the treatment of typhus, pneumonia and dysentery.—Associated Press.

Fluid in lungs causes death of wrestler

London, April 12.
Fluid in the lungs caused by an unexpected heart disease killed the 35-year-old Egyptian wrestler Hassan Raouf during air operation here last week.

This was disclosed today at the inquest on Raouf when a verdict of death by misadventure was recorded.

Two members of the Royal Egyptian Consulate, Mr. Abdul Elkhal and Mr. A. M. Fahmy, attended the inquest.

Dr. Kennedy Harper, the anaesthetist for the operation, said that 10 minutes after the operation began Raouf's respiration became laboured and he frothed at the mouth and nose. The operation was stopped.

Raouf stopped breathing and though suction was tried and stimulants given together with artificial respiration and oxygen, he never recovered.

Dr. Harper told the Coroner that diagnosis showed acute pulmonary oedema (fluid in the lungs) "a very unusual condition which we know little about. I have never seen one before. When it occurs it is always fatal."—Reuters.

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To comply with the General Bonded Warehouse Regulations, consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when durable goods are examined.

All damaged cargo claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before May 15, 1950, or they will not be recognized.

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FINANCE AND COMMERCE

**TRADE DEVELOPMENT
STRESSED AT
CALCUTTA MEETING**

Calcutta, April 12.

Britain, Australia and the United States stressed the importance of developing trade between the area covered by the United Nations Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East and outside countries when the Commission's Iron and Steel Sub-Committee concluded its three-day session here today.

The Sub-Committee meets for a final sitting tomorrow to adopt a new programme of work for the Commission's Secretariat in the light of the various suggestions made by the delegates during its current session.

The Sub-Committee today discussed the possibility of increasing inter-regional trade in raw materials and industrial products.

Delegates from 11 Asian countries and from Britain, France and the United States as well as from other Nations organisations and SCAP are attending.

Delegates from Britain, Australia and the United States addressed the importance of developing not only inter-regional trade but also trade with countries outside the ECAFE region.

The Australian delegate cited the fact that although his country was prepared to import raw materials and other items from the Far East it found that it had to turn to other sources of supply as required if raw materials were not available from ECAFE countries.

The United States delegate suggested that ECAFE should study the question of trade barriers and prepare a list of those hindrances to trade in order that some steps might be taken by various Governments to relieve them.

A suggestion made by the Chairman, Mr. M. K. Pownall (India) that a list of exportable surplus materials of the ECAFE

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PUBLIC UTILITIES

H.K. Tramways 12.70n., 12.90/80/30sp.
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(New) 0.16n.

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Shanghai Light 1.0n.

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INDUSTRIALS

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Sun Co., Ltd. 2.20n.

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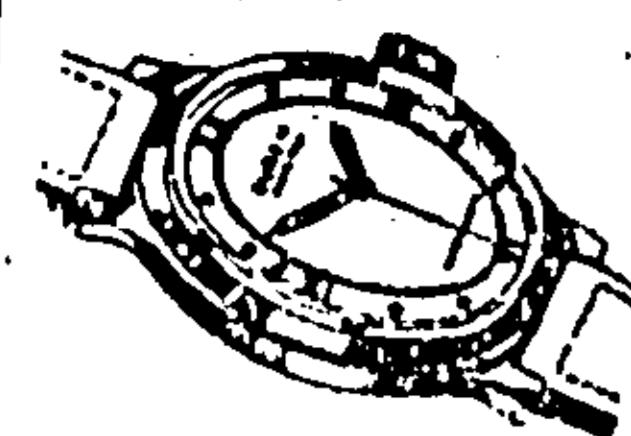
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MONDAYS, WEDNESDAYS, FRIDAYS

I. AHMED PLAYS SUPERB TENNIS TO BEAT K.H. IP

(By "ARGONAUT")

I. Ahmed, Pakistan's No. 1 Davis Cup tennis player, gave Hong Kong's tennis enthusiasts one of those rare displays of high class tennis when he beat the Colony Champion, K. H. Ip, 8-6 and 6-3 in an exhibition Singles match at the Hong Kong Cricket Club courts yesterday.

In the other Singles match of the afternoon, Hong Kong's youthful Norman Lo, after a shaky start, gave a good account of himself in the second set, extending Pakistan's No. 2, S. M. Alam, to 5-7.

However, it was in the Doubles that Hong Kong showed off its superiority, when the Tsui brothers scored a rather easy 6-1, 6-1 win over Durran and Khokhar.

The main attraction of the afternoon was the match between Ip and Ahmed.

Although the Pakistan champion recently lost to Philippines' Feliciano Ampon and Deyro in the Singles, he holds the distinction of extending the Filipino champion to five sets in the All-Asian Championship at Calcutta last year.

In the All-India Championship, he lost to Pedro Mish in the final after a grueling five-set encounter.

He has represented his country in the Davis Cup for six years, and although handicapped by a weight of 190 pounds and in spite of his 32 years, showed that he fully merits being ranked Asia's No. 4 player.

The first three places go, in the opinion of many, to Ampon from the Philippines and India's Bose and Misra.

Particular features

Peculiar features of his play yesterday, which evoked spontaneous acclamations, were his lightning fast service, the repeatedly scored aces, his forceful full-length volleys interspersed with drop volleys and his flashing drives to his opponent's service.

In playing his usual game, but his services held no terror for his opponent, who repeatedly counter-driven them with irretrievable drives.

Ip's lack of passing shots and Ahmed's well-timed and speedy approach to the net with accurately placed volleys, gave the Pakistan player control of the major part of the game, particularly at the fore-court.

The first two games saw each of them holding his service.

In the third game, Ip brought into use his drop shot and managed to break through Ahmed's service after three deuces were called.

A beautiful forehand cross, two volleys at the net by Ahmed and an error by Ip gave Ahmed the fourth game.

Each then lost his service in the next two games, to bring the score up to 3-3.

Identical scores

Ahmed took the seventh and eighth games by the identical scores of 50-30 and 50-30, only to see Ip coming back with a love game and 50-30 to level the score to 5-5.

A neck and neck struggle ensued in the eleventh game, with Ahmed serving.

Down 30-40, Ahmed took the score to deuce, but it was not until after two further deuces that the game went to him.

Ip caught up again 6-0 on his service and another long game was seen in the 13th game.

Ip was again the first to reach game point at 30-40, but after three deuces, the visitor took the game with aggressive drive volleys.

Ip failed to hold his service in the next game and Ahmed romped home with the first set 6-0.

Although Ip won Ahmed's opening service game in the second set, the Pakistan player began gradually to dominate the play with aggressive strokes.

Loses his touch

Ip began to lose his touch and conceded four games in a row, serving two double-faults in succession in the fourth game.

He rallied back in the next game to reduce the deficit to 2-4, and again to 3-5, but Ahmed went into full blast in the ninth game, completing a lone game with a lighting ace.

Norman Lo, in his first big match appearance, gave a good impression, indicating that with more experience, he could develop into a first-class player.

Although not inferior to his opponent in strokes, he threw away many valuable points through repeated errors in the first set.

A slight nervousness was probably a contributing factor. After losing the first three games to an opponent who showed much better courtmanship, young Lo gradually warmed up and carried the scoreline in the next two games though losing them.

Kowloon Cricket Club tennis handicaps

The following programme of tennis matches at the Kowloon Cricket Club has been arranged, commencing Monday, April 17, at 5.45 p.m.

Court No. 1 Mrs. G. Chanin and D. Chen v Mrs. E. Tebbutt and R. O. Baker.

Court No. 2 Lieut Col. and Mrs. Forward v Winners Mrs. J. Lawes and L. F. Stokes against Captain and Mrs. Robertson.

Court No. 3 R. Baker v Winner J. Leriou against C. W. Tebbutt.

Court No. 4 K. M. Getz v R. N. Manley.

Court No. 5 C. G. March v Winner A. E. P. Guest against J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 6 Mrs. E. Litton v Miss N. Lambert Baker.

Court No. 7 Mrs. L. Benjamin and A. E. P. Guest v Winners Mrs. A. Bailey and A. Zimmerman against Miss P. Ward and A. V. White.

Court No. 8 F. H. Kwok and D. Chen v A. Zimmerman and J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 9 T. E. and R. O. Baker v H. Pepperell and J. Lawes.

Court No. 10 Miss M. Ribeiro and Miss M. Figueredo v Mrs. J. Hornsman and Miss M. Fisher.

Court No. 11 R. Lapsley and G. Rosselot v Winners J. Leriou and F. R. Kermer against C. R. Tierney and Mrs. Hornsman.

Court No. 12 Mrs. G. Chuan and E. Litton v Miss P. Ward and Miss J. Waterhouse.

Court No. 13 Mrs. M. Chow and N. Benjamin v Winners Mrs. Miss N. Lambert Baker and Mrs. G. Getz against Mrs. J. Lawes and Mrs. E. Tebbutt.

Court No. 14 C. W. Tebbutt and R. Thompson v Winners F. H. Kwok and D. Chen against A. Zimmerman and J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 15 R. White v Winner J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 16 F. R. Kermer against J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 17 H. Pepperell and E. Litton v Winner J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 18 D. H. Pepperell and F. R. Kermer against J. V. Sellers.

Court No. 19 K. M. Getz against R. N. Manley.

Court No. 20 F. H. Kwok v Winner K. M. Getz against R. N. Manley.

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